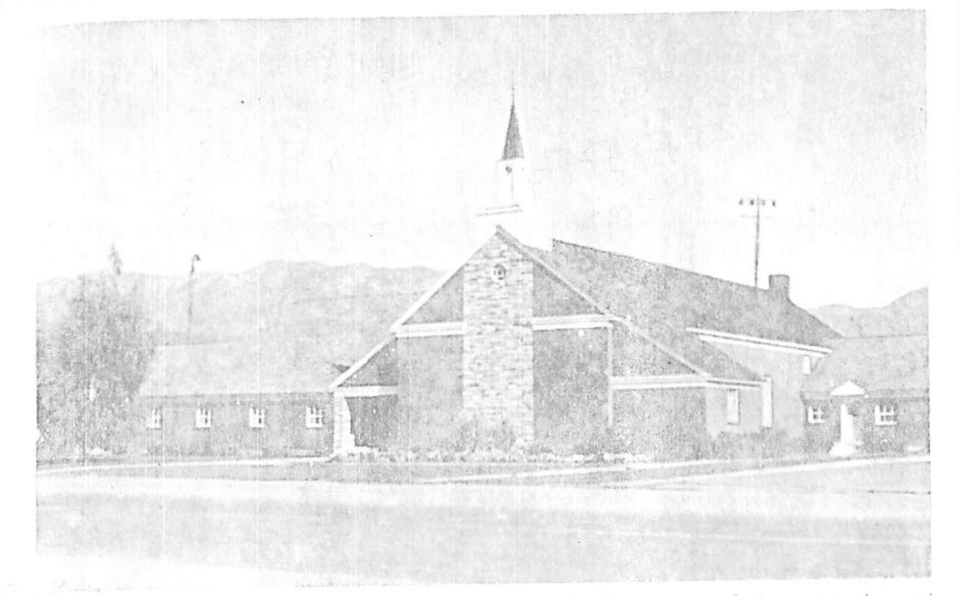
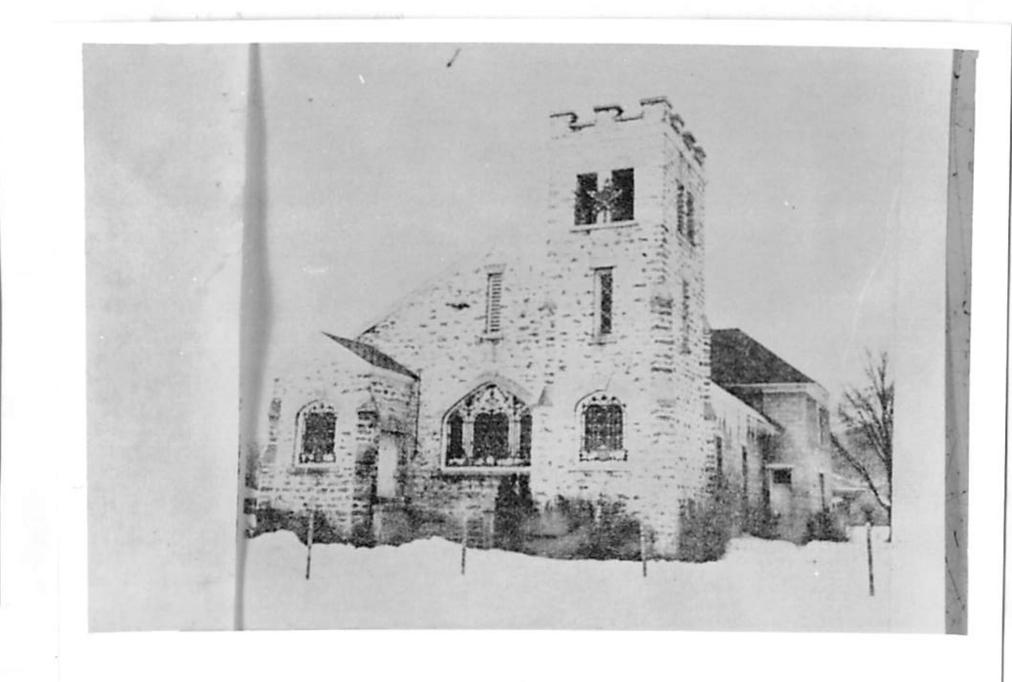
Midway 2nd Ward Chapel



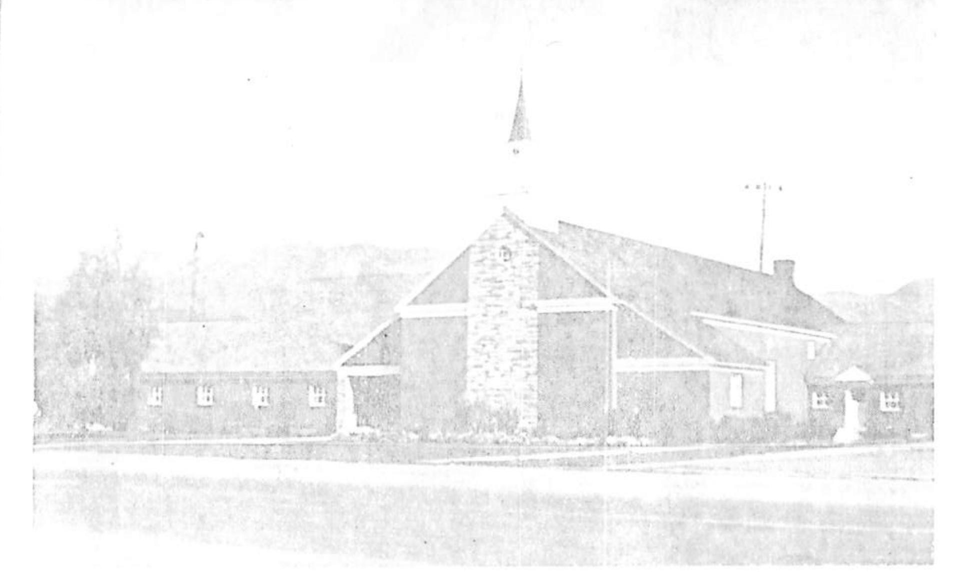
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1885, which became the recreation hall of the new chapel, adding many more rooms and improvements. After 16½ months of diligent work—serving of dinners, bazaars, programs, etc.—the building was dedicated July 16, 1956 at a total cost of $112,500.00. The completion of this great project in so short a time was due to the untiring efforts of Bishop Kohler who worked on the project every day. The unity and support of the people were very commendable and now a beautiful chapel stands as a monument to their efforts.



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THE WELFARE PROGRAM

About 1898 George Bonner, one of the early settlers decided a building was needed for amusements. Such building was constructed of native rock, had a stage for dramas, plays and concerts. It was heated by two potbellied stoves. It had a very fine floor for dancing. The walls echoed with laughter, and fine times were had dancing the Quadrille, the polka, and waltz. Midway had a good orchestra, and people came from far and near to enjoy the fun.

Later the Church purchased the building from Mr. Bonner, and it was used for amusements under supervision of an Amusement Committee until the erection of the Town Hall.

During the depression of the 1930's the leaders of the Church could see the necessity of some kind of a program to help people in times of dire need such as sickness, accident, work stoppage, or strikes, to say